

Applicants make the following statement to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R.

§§1.821-1.825:

The computer readable form of the sequence listing in this application, serial number 09/107,615, is identical to that filed in application serial number 08/618,464, filed March 15, 1996. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.821(e), please use the computer readable form of the sequence listing filed in the 08/618,464 application as the computer readable form for the instant application. It is understood that the Patent and Trademark Office will make the necessary change in application number and filing date for the computer readable form that will be used for the instant application. A paper copy of the Sequence Listing can be found at pages 41-47 of the specification of the instant application.

It is submitted that this application is now in good order for allowance and such allowance is respectfully solicited. Should the Examiner believe minor matters still remain that can be resolved in a telephone interview, the Examiner is urged to call Applicants' undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

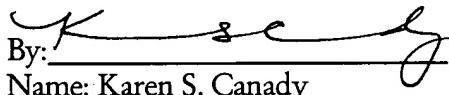
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